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**Chiefess Kapi'olani Elementary School** 

January 2023









# Kolea Pride

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### Soaring to New Heights

When the chance to take our 5th grade class to Oahu to visit the Pearl Harbor Aviation Museum came up, it seemed as if it would be impossible. One, because it has been years since our students went on a field trip, let alone a field trip off island. Second of all, because the turn around time to prepare for the trip seemed too short. However, that did not stop us from quickly bringing families in for a meeting to see if they would allow their children to attend.

To our excitement, our 5th graders and their families were very excited and supportive, which allowed our six chaperones and 5th grade students to fly to Oahu to visit the museum, where students learned about science and history.

The excursion, which was almost completely covered through a Pearl Harbor Aviation Museum Grant. allowed our students to learn more about the history behind Pearl Harbor and about science and aviation. By conducting experiments, learning about planes and flight plans, and through using airplane simulators, our 5<sup>th</sup> graders were enlightened and taught about what it means to soar to new heights.















## Principal's Message

Aloha Chiefess Kapi'olani Elementary School 'Ohana,

Happy New Year! Welcome back to school and to a new semester. I hope everyone enjoyed the holiday season and took time to relax and enjoy the break with family and friends.



December was quite a busy month for the entire school. We celebrated a return to student performances with our Winter Family Night event, which starred our students singing some amazing songs and reading a story to us. Thank you to the teachers who helped prepare our students for the evening, Mrs. Lila Parong and Kupuna Loke, and thank you to all our Kolea for their wonderful performance. We were impressed by the talent our students exhibited and excited for the other holiday activities that night, which were put on by our very own PTO, faculty and staff, and also the Waiakea High School Key Club. The evening focused on the talents of our students and the importance of literacy, as well as the holiday season. We thank everyone who assisted in some way with this event and we thank Café 100, Starbucks, KTA, and Hawaii Community Federal Credit Union for their generous donation of food, prizes, and/or gift card giveaway prizes.

The other exciting event in December was an excursion all the way to the Pearl Harbor Aviation Museum on Oahu. This event allowed our 5<sup>th</sup> graders the opportunity to fly to Oahu to learn more about the history of Pearl Harbor and about science and aviation. Our student learned about what pilots go through, including needing to understand the science behind flying a plane, preparing flight plans, and even what it's like to fly in a flight simulator. We thank the Pearl Harbor Aviation Museum for helping fund almost 100% of the field trip, as well as Mrs. Umemoto, Mr. Pike, Ms. Cariaga, and Ms. Santos for helping to make this field trip a reality for our Kolea by competing paperwork and/or planning for the parent meeting and preparing our 5<sup>th</sup> graders for the excursion. We also thank our 5<sup>th</sup> grade class for their exceptional behavior throughout the entire day!

Also, during the month of December we ended the quarter with our first Kapi'olani Kash Shopping Day. This shopping day, which is part of our school's Positive Behavior Interventions and Support (PBIS) program, allows our students to earn cash for being respectful, responsible, safe, and hard working Kolea. The program rewards positive behaviors and also teaches the importance of budgeting and saving, as students can opt to either spend or save their money each month. Our next shopping day will take place on January 27, 2023 during the school day.

This month we will also celebrate those students who have accomplished being selected as a student of the month, as having been exemplary in one of our General Learner Outcome areas, as well as those being recognized for Honor Roll in Grades 3-6. Students who have been selected for a 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Award will bring home an invitation to attend the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Awards Assembly by January 18<sup>th</sup>. The assembly will take place on Friday, January 20<sup>th</sup> in the school cafeteria. Please see page 3 of the newsletter for more details on the times for each assembly and parking.

As we begin the second semester, we'd like to thank all CKES parents and guardians for supporting their child(ren) and working with the school to help all students be successful. During our Winter event we had parents fill out surveys and some families expressed an interest in helping with these events, and we'd absolutely love the support. If you are interested in helping to volunteer during family events or if you are interested in supporting in a bigger role by helping to plan school events, please call the school and ask for either Mrs. Umemoto or myself. Also, should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at <a href="mailto:kimberly.Castillo@k12.hi.us">kimberly.Castillo@k12.hi.us</a> or (808) 313-5100.

Have a wonderful January!

Mahalo, Kimberly Castillo Principal

## Important Dates

January 4, 2023 First Day of Q3-Students Return

January 13, 2023 PC Day No School for Students

**January 16, 2023**Martin Luther King Jr. Day No School

**January 19, 2023**Deposit Days
7:15-8:00

January 20, 2023 \*O2 Awards Assembly 8:30-9:00-Grade Pre-K-2 9:15-9:45-Grade 3-4 10:00-10:30-Grade 5-6

January 23, 2023 SCC Board Meeting 3:30pm-Library

January 27, 2023 Kapi'olani Kash Shopping Day

**January 9-February 24, 2023** WIDA Testing

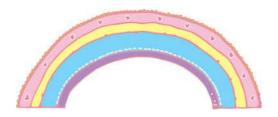
\*Awards Assemblies: Students receiving an award will come home with a parent/guardian invitation to attend the assembly by January18th. Assemblies will start on time and parking will be available on the softball field.





#### Reminders

- Uniforms should be worn every day to school. Uniforms are available for purchase at Creative Arts Hawaii.
- Attendance Matters! If your child is not ill or out due to a mandatory quarantine, they should be in school. Also, if your child is absent, please make sure to call the school office at (808) 313-5100 on the date of absence by 8:00 am to report the absence.
- After School Pick-up for K-6 students begins at 2:15pm on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday. It begins at 1:10pm on Wednesdays. We ask that you please arrive at the school at that time and no earlier (unless picking up a preschool student). Please do not stop and wait at the pick up areas for the bell to ring, as it affects traffic. If arriving before these times, our friendly staff will ask you to please drive around the block. We appreciate your compliance with this rule as it helps to move school traffic along more smoothly and helps create a safer pick up for all students.





## Librarian's Message

Thank you very much to our parents and guardians for reading aloud to our young readers. The most important way to encourage a love of reading is to read aloud. Read things you enjoy!

Read favorite stories, funny poems, jokes, fairy tales, sports stories, or interesting articles from a newspaper or magazine.

Please continue to encourage our older, independent readers to practice their reading for 20 minutes every day! It's helpful to limit their TV watching and video gaming and keep devices out of their bedrooms. Push back their bedtime by a few minutes and allow them to read in bed.

#### Practice Reading Aloud at Home

- Ask your child to read a recipe to you while you are cooking
- Ask an older child to read to a younger child.
- Take turns reading aloud when you and your child read together.
- Read road signs and building signs as you're riding in a car.
- Read labels and prices while shopping in a store.
- Have your child read the weather report daily from the newspaper or the computer.

Reading is a key to success in school for students of all ages. Children who are good readers find it easier to do well in other subjects because so much learning depends on the ability to read. (The Parent Institute)

## Hawaii Keiki Waiakea Complex RN's Message

#### **Physical Exams**

Isn't it interesting that when our children are little, we see our Pediatrician or physician very often. From birth to until 15 months old, they have a Well Child Check (WCC) every 3 months. Then at age 2 until 5, they are seen yearly. After they turn 5, it's not as often. The AAP (American Academy of Pediatrics) recommends yearly Well Child Checks.

The reason for this recommendation is due to the benefits of yearly exams, which include:

- Prevention (update vaccines, visual, hearing, nutrition, and safety).
- Tracking growth and development (growth physically, mentally, and socially).
- Provides time to discuss concerns.
- Building a report with their Physician.

Most insurances cover a WCC every 2 years for children ages 6-10, then yearly from 11-18. Please check with your insurance provider or your child's Physician regarding coverage.

Hawaii has specific health requirements to attend a DOE school, these include:

- Entering Kindergarten: TB clearance or test, physical exam, and vaccine requirements.
- 7<sup>th</sup> grade: 11 year old Physical exam and additional vaccine requirements. Vaccine requirements include Tdap, HPV, and
- Out of state/country transferring students: TB clearance or test, recent physical exam, and vaccine requirements.
- If your child will be attending 7th grade next school year or playing a high school sport, please contact your child's Physician to schedule an appointment as soon as possible.

#### Here are a few links:

1. Hawaii DOH Health Requirements:

https://health.hawaii.gov/docd/vaccines-immunizations/school-health-requirements/sy-20-21/

- 2. Childcare Facility, Preschool, and Kindergarten Grade 12: Important Notice to Parents: https://health.hawaii.gov/docd/files/2019/08/VaxToSchool\_ParentNotice.pdf
- 3. Student Health Record Form 14:

https://www.hawaiipublicschools.org/DOE%20Forms/Enrollment/StudentHealthRecord.pdf

## Tech Message

Greetings CKES students and ohana! The end of last semester was a busy one here at Chiefess Kapi'olani Elementary, filled with special events that our teachers and keiki put on for us, as well as holiday and school spirit days of which our staff were able to get excellent footage for the school website and social media pages [Instagram: @chiefesskapiolani / Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/chiefesska piolani I.

We'll be starting off 2023 providing equipment and support for our English Language Learners to take WIDA examinations online beginning in January. Additionally, we will continue installing new and updated equipment around campus to aid our teachers, students, and staff for the coming year. As always, if you need assistance with your student's Chromebooks or network accounts while away from campus, reach out to us at (808) 313-5100 -Khalil Blake (DPUST)

### **PTO Message**

Come and put the FUN in fundraiser! If you are interested in lending a helping hand for the first

fundraiser of the school year, the PTO will be assembling the materials needed for students and would appreciate the help and enjoy your company.

There will be light refreshments and a little "talk story" time to kick off our productive and fun evening.

We will be gathering in the school library on Jan. 4th at 4:30pm.

Don't forget to join the PTO remind for updates and reminders, our code is @ckespto.

Thank you, Nanea Fukuda **PTO President** 



#### **Kindergartners: Always Dream Reminders**



#### **READ READ!!**

Kindergarten students are earning Kapi'olani cash according to their reading minutes. Thank you parents for supporting your child by encouraging them to read at home on their tablet.

#### DREAM BIG 100+ Club

All kindergartners are encouraged to read 100 minutes or more on their reading tablet each month. By doing this, every month you can be entered into a drawing to win a new book for your home library!

#### Dream Big 100+ Club November winners (one per class):

Gianni-John Castro-Muragin Kalia Torres Taylor Nelson

-Kindergarten Teachers

### **SQS Survey**

#### Parents/Guardians:

Beginning January  $9^{th}$ -March  $10^{th}$ , we ask that you please complete the School Quality Survey (SQS). There are three options for completing the survey:

- 1. Complete the hard copy survey you receive. Surveys will be sent home on January 9<sup>th</sup>. Surveys can be submitted to the office in the sealed envelope and we can mail them out for you.
- 2. Use the QR code on the letter to complete the survey online after January 9th
- 3. Complete the SQS Survey online at https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2023SQ SParent after January 9th

If you have questions about the survey, please contact <u>SQS@k12.hi.us</u> or call (808)733-4008 from 7:45am-4:30pm, Monday through Friday.

This survey measures your perceptions of the safety and well-being of your child and your satisfaction and involvement/engagement with our school. The information will be used by our school for continuous improvement purposes. We thank you in advance for supporting us by completing this survey!

### Friends of the Panaewa Zoo Art Contest



Congratulations to Kolten Cuison (1<sup>st</sup> Place), Jaylyn Castilan (2<sup>nd</sup> Place), and Kaisen Agpalza (3<sup>rd</sup> Place) for their winning entries, as well as to Ms. Fullerton's entire class for entering the Friends of the Panaewa Zoo Art Contest.

## Winter Family Night



Thank you to all the parents, guardians, and families who attended the event. Also, thanks to those who completed the Winter Family Night survey.

The winners of the gift certificates are:

Carl Enomoto Christine Parker Abigail Perreira Helsina Sink Jane Torricer

Please stop by the office between 7am-4:00pm to pick up your gift certificate.















## Winter Family Night







## Kapi'olani Kash Shopping Day













## Winter Week Dress Up Days

## Merry Monday

12/12/22 Dress in Holiday Best



### Tuesday **Treatday**

12/13/22 Dress inspired by your favorite holiday treat/candy cane May use only the colors



### Wake-up Wednesday

12/14/22 Wake up and come to school in your pajamas



#### Throw it Together Thursday

12/15/22 Make your own unique Christmas sweater or shirt



## Chiefess Kapi'alani's Winter Spirit Week 🎄 🌞 **Festive** Friday

12/16/22 Ring in the season with your most festive gear





























## Winter Week Dress Up Days



























# January 2023 Breakfast and Lunch Menu



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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
NEW YEAR'S DAY OBSERVED NO SCHOOL	3 TEACHER WORK DAY NO SCHOOL	4 Breakfast: Breakfast Kit Mixed Fruit Craisins  Lunch: Mac & Cheese Baby Carrots Edamame Pineapple	5 Breakfast: Cinnamon Roll (school made) Oranges Pears  Lunch: Pepperoni Pizza Steamed Corn Cucumber Sticks Pears	6 Breakfast: Portuguese Sausage w/ Rice Apples Pineapple  Lunch: Beef Curry Steamed Rice & Roll Steamed Corn Broccoli Pog Slushie
9 Breakfast: Bagel w/ Cream Cheese Applesauce Pears Lunch: Cheese Bites w/ Marinara & Concord Berry Slushie Celery & Cucumber Sticks	10 Breakfast: Applesauce Bread (School made) Grape Juice Peaches  Lunch: Creole Macaroni w/Cheese Applesauce Green Salad Edamame	11 Breakfast: Country Gravy Pizza Pineapple Craisins  Lunch: Teriyaki Burger Potato Wedges Lettuce Sliced tomato Pears	12 Breakfast: Pork Sausage Patty w/ Biscuit (School Made) Mixed Fruit Fruit Punch  Lunch: Chicken Tenders Steamed Rice Edamame Corn Peaches	PC DAY NO SCHOOL
16  MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY  NO SCHOOL	17 Breakfast: Cheese Stick Marinara Sauce Peaches  Lunch: Cheese Pizza Baby Carrots Green Salad Mixed Fruit	18 Breakfast: Belgian Waffle Banana Mixed Fruit  Lunch: Spaghetti w/ Meat Sauce Peaches Green Salad Cucumber Sticks French bread	19 Breakfast: Portuguese Sausage w/ Rice Applesauce Craisins  Lunch: Roast Pork &Gravy w/ Rice Paradise Punch Broccoli Baby Carrots	20 Breakfast: Yogurt w/Granola Pears Apples  Lunch: Hot Dog in Bun Tater Tots Coleslaw Apple Crisps
23 Breakfast: French Toast Sticks Apple Chips Pineapple  Lunch: Chicken Tenders Steamed rice Applesauce Cucumber Sticks Baby Carrots Edamame	24 Breakfast: Cereal & Toast Applesauce Pears  Lunch: Beef Patty w/ Gravy Steamed Rice Steamed Corn Broccoli Peaches	25 Breakfast: Chicken Patty w/Rice Apples Peaches  Lunch: Beef Chili Nachos Strawberry Kiwi Juice Green Salad Salsa	26 Breakfast: Pizza Bagel Mixed Fruit Grape Juice  Lunch: Chicken Sandwich Emoticon Potatoes Pears Lettuce Tomato Slices Edamame	27 Breakfast: Coffee Cake w/ Pork Sausage Patty Oranges Apple Chips Lunch: Kalua Pork & Cabbage Steamed Rice Lomi Tomato Pineapple
30 Breakfast: Breakfast Kit Mixed Fruit Craisins  Lunch: Mac & Cheese Baby Carrots Edamame Pineapple	31 Breakfast: Cinnamon Roll (School Made) Oranges Pears  Lunch: Pepperoni Pizza Steamed Corn Cucumber Sticks Pears		ludf	

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